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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of:

Stephane BERTHOLIN et al.

Examiner: Aaron M. Dunwoody

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Group Art Unit: 3679

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Title: DEVICE AND METHOD FOR CONNECTION WITH RELATIVE AND
CONTROLLED SEALING BETWEEN A PIPE AND A CERAMIC TUBE

RESPONSE TO OFFICE ACTION OF NOVEMBER 28, 2005

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Sir:

The Office Action of November 28, 2005 sets forth that the Reply filed on September 9, 2005 is not fully responsive to the prior Office Action because the Applicant did not identify the elected species and provide a list of all claims readable thereon.

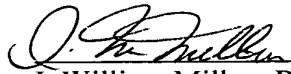
By inspection, it is seen that an election was made of Fig. 2 in the first sentence of the response of September 9, 2005. Furthermore, all the claims are readable thereon. Fig. 2 provides a double wall in a chamber that defines an inside space in which a coolant circulates. Whereas claims 3 and 4 speak to this particular feature, none of the claims exclude this feature inasmuch as they are all broader in scope.

Counsel apologizes for the inadvertent failure to list the claims that are readable on Fig.

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In view of this response, an early action on the merits of the application is respectfully requested.

Respectfully submitted,



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